**FEBRUARY 15, 2023** 



In recognition of World Spay & Neuter Day on February 28, throughout the month of February, the Monroe County Friends of Animals is raising \$5,900 to fund 100 spays or neuters in Monroe County. Your donation will help us meet our goal.

Each year, the Monroe County Friends of Animals' SNAP (Spay Neuter Assistance Program) provides free spay and neuter surgeries to nearly 1,200 cats and dogs in the county at a cost of \$70,800 or about \$5,900 a month.

To donate and to learn more about SNAP, please visit: https://monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org/our-programs/spay-neuter/



February 17, 1-8pm PetSmart@Turkey Creek (11134 Parkside Dr.)

Thanks to everyone who came out last Friday for our first Adopt-a-thon of this month, especially to George's new adoptive family! Please join us again this Friday to meet Jody! She has been awarded a training certificate from The Compete K-9. (See her photo on the next page in the Lonely Hearts' Club section.)

If you are interested in volunteering at this event, please contact Esther Nunley at nunleyster@yahoo.com or text/call (423) 920-8660.







#### Highlights

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#### World Spay Day FEBRUARY 28



Monroe County Friends of Animals Thrift Store is a major source of revenue supporting our mission

> Thrift Store Specials 2/15-18 All Videos \$1

MCFA Thrift Store is open Wednesday – Saturday IOam – 4pm 423-420-3423 3949 Highway 411, Madisonville, TN

*To learn more about sales & volunteering at the Thrift Store, visit the <u>Our Program</u>s page of our website.* 





We rely on volunteers to help us with just about everything we do, and we are so grateful to all of you. Currently, we are SEEKING volunteers to serve as COMMITTEE MEMBERS to help us plan our two biggest events of the year:



#### June 3: First Annual Bark in the Park November 18: Annual Fundraising Gala

These dates may seem a long way off, but early planning is the key to success!

For further information: info@monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org

#### March 27, Time TBD

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING Keep an eye out for your email ballot to vote on incoming or reelecting Board members.You must be a member in good standing by February 28, 2023 in order to attend this meeting and to vote.



## Spay/Neuter Vouchers



Saturday, February 18, 10:00am-12:00pm

Free spay/neuter vouchers for dogs & cats \*\*\*Low-Income Monroe County Residents Only\*\*\* HOW DOES IT WORK?

Call one of these numbers on the date and times listed ONLY. 423-836-2041 / 865-268-9730 / 865-297-3363

If the lines are busy, keep trying. DO NOT leave a message. Messages will NOT be returned.

To learn more or to donate to this program, visit our website: <u>monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org/our-programs/spay-neuter/</u>

Sponsored by MCFA SNAP Program



Love is in the air, and we are wrapping up our Valentine's Day adoption promotion to find forever homes for Jody and our other adorable, loveable, adoptable dogs and cats at the Monroe County Animal Shelter.

https://monroecountyfriendsof animals.org/adoption/

BREAKING NEWS

#### Capital Campaign & New Shelter Updates

Last week, Capital Campaign met with the Vonore HR Association, which represents many regional organizations, to help them understand the importance of our mission and partnering with businesses in the area to support our campaign and the shelter.

The Building Committee met last week to review several contractor bids to build the new shelter. We expect to make a decision soon.

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#### Volunteers Needed Now

- Adopt-a-thon helpers (see p.1 for details)
- Grant Writers (call 423-520-6887)

For other volunteer options, please complete our online application or email: info@MonroeCountyFriendsofAnimals.org

#### Donations Needed Now

- Towels
- Wash Cloths/Cleaning Rags
- Bleach
- Large Black Trash Bags

Ship direct to the shelter or drop off Tue/Wed/Fri 11am-4:30pm or Sat 11am-2pm



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### Quotes from the Executive Director

"Like all pure creatures, cats are practical." —William S. Burroughs

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